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C O N F I D E N T I A L JAKARTA 1960

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ENRG, ID, OPEC

SUBJECT: INDONESIAN VIEWS ON POSSIBLE OPEC PRICING COMPROMISE

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1. APPARENT INDONESIAN ENTHUSIASM FOR ACTING AS OPEC MEDIATOR  
IN CURRENT PRICING DISUPTE (REFTEL) APPEARS TO HAVE WANED  
CONSIDERABLY IN RECENT DAYS. JAKARTA'S DAILIES OF FEB. 10  
QUOTE MINES MINISTER SADLI AS EXPRESSING "DOUBT" THAT

DUALISM IN OPEC PRICING COULD BE SETTLED DURING FIRST QUARTER 1977. SADLI STATED THAT "COOLING OFF" PERIOD NEEDED NOW IN HOPES PROBLEM COULD BE SOLVED SOMETIME BY JUNE.

2. CONVERSATION FEBRUARY 10 WITH CLOSE SADLI AIDE CONFIRMED ABOVE POINTS. SOURCE ADDED GOI HAS NO WISH INJECT ITSELF INTO FRAY AT THIS TIME SINCE RECENT COMPROMISE PROPOSAL APPEARS ALL BUT DEAD FOR MOMENT. ACCORDINGLY, SADLI HAS NO PLANS VISIT RIYADH FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH SAG.

3. COMMENT: WITH CURRENT PRODUCTION CONTINUING TO SURGE (1.68 MILLION B/D FIRST WEEK OF FEBRUARY), INDONESIA PROBABLY FEELS LESS PRESSURE NOW TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT PRICES. FURTHERMORE, PERCEPTION HERE IS THAT DISPUTE HAS BECOME LOCALIZED GULF CONFLICT WITH TWO ANTAGONISTS-- SAUDI ARABIA AND IRAN--BECOMING INCREASINGLY MORE POLARIZED IN THEIR RESPECTIVE POSITIONS. AGAINST THIS CONTEXT, THEREFORE, GOI SEES LITTLE GOOD IT COULD DO AS MEDIATOR.

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